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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: : David C. Rueger and Marjorie M. Tucker
Application No. : 08/822,186
Confirmation No. : 6062
Filed : March 20, 1997
Title : IMPROVED OSTEOGENIC DEVICES AND
METHODS OF USE THEREOF FOR REPAIR OF
ENDOCHONDRAL BONE AND
OSTEOCHONDRAL DEFECTS
Group Art Unit : 1647
Examiner : D. Romeo

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August 27, 2001

Hon. Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

RESPONSE TO FEBRUARY 26, 2001 OFFICE ACTION

This responds to the Office Action mailed February 26, 2001.

Applicants have filed herewith a petition for a three-month extension of time together with a check to cover the requisite extension fee. With the extension, this response is due on August 27, 2001 since August 26th is a Sunday.

Kindly amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend the claims as indicated below.